NAVY Declassification/Release Instructions on File

13 July 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR: CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS

VIA: DIRECTOR OF NAVAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: Control and Release of Navy Classified Matter

REFERENCES: (a).DNI, Conf. Ltr., OP-322H3, serial 08052F32,

dtd 15 June 1950

(b) U.S.N. Security Manual for Classified Matter

- 1. Paragraph 3 of reference (a) notes that inter-library loan arrangements have been established between this Agency and certain offices of the Navy, and indicates that similar arrangements of this kind might be made with other Naval technical bureaus and activities.
- 2. Paragraph 9-31 (d) of reference (b) states that, "all disclosures of classified information outside of the Armed Services, other than those described in (a), (b), and (c)", (not applicable) "shall require the prior approval of the Chief of Naval Operations and shall be made only in the national interest. The Chief of Naval Operations may delegate this authority to meet specific situations, if such action is in the best interests of the Naval Service, and shall determine whether approved disclosures will be disseminated directly by CNO, or by a designated agency".
- 3. In order to assist the Director of Central Intelligence in carrying out the duties assigned to him by the National Security Act, in an expeditious, effective and efficient manner, it is requested that the Chief of Naval Operations, delegate to the Security Classification Control Officers of the below listed bureaus and offices of the Navy, and of the activities under their control, his authority to approve the disclosure to the Central Intelligence Agency of classified material, up to and including SECRET, produced by those bureaus and offices:

Office of Industrial Relations Office of Naval Research Naval Research Laboratory Bureau of Aeronautics Marine Corps Bureau of Medicine and Surgery Hydrographic Office Naval Observatory
Island Governments Division
Naval Records and History Division
Pan American Affairs Division
Bureau of Naval Personnel
Navy Bureau of Ordnance
Bureau of Ships
Bureau of Yards and Docks
Naval Photographic Center
Such other offices as may later be approved in writing

- 4. It is suggested that administrative details of the relations between this Agency and the several Bureaus and Offices be arranged by mutual agreement and with the concurrence of the Office of Naval Intelligence.
- 5. Any requests for material classified TOP SECRET will be made through the Office of Naval Intelligence.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE:

JAMES M. ANDREWS
Assistant Director for
Collection and Dissemination

OCD: PJC/ch/fjc

cc: Addressee - Orig & 2
AD/OCD
NN Desk LD/OCD
Central Records
DNI (OP322H)
CIA Library